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*mk* NOTE FOR: The Director ✓  
The Deputy Director

FROM: Dave Gries [redacted]

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SUBJECT: Nicaragua Strategy Working Group

This is to alert you that the meetings have resumed. This group has functioned for the last two years as a strategy board for managing the Administration's Contra package on the Hill. [redacted] and I will attend for CIA. You will note that in addition to legislative strategy, the group also addresses public diplomacy issues and on occasion policy issues. [redacted] and I do not participate in those parts of the discussions. In future, I will alert you when matters of major concern come up, probably using the vehicle of my weekly report.

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WILL BALL *W.B.*  
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SUBJECT:

Nicaraguan Strategy Working Group

As you know, we have co-chaired for some time a regular Friday morning meeting of the Nicaraguan Legislative Strategy Group. Now that Tom Loeffler and Cres Arcos have joined the team, we believe it would be useful to expand the legislative working group to include a discussion of policy and public diplomacy issues. Accordingly, beginning this Friday and on at least a weekly basis we will hold a Nicaraguan Strategy Working Group meeting to review policy, legislative and public diplomacy issues leading up to the Freedom Fighter vote in September. Following is the suggested minimum membership of the group. Others may be added as needed.

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REMARKS

The first meeting of the group will be held on Friday, July 17 at 11:00 a.m. in the Situation Room.

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